

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Masahiro KOYAMA et al.  
Serial No.: 10/812,881  
Filed: March 31, 2004  
For: DECENTRALIZED CONTROL SYSTEM FOR NETWORK  
CONNECTION  
Group: 2139  
Examiner: C. LaForgia

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 3, 2008

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated June 3, 2008, the period for reply thereto being extended by one month by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, set to expire on October 3, 2008, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.